

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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Taizo SHIRAI et al.	)	
	)	Group Art Unit: 2437
Application No.: 09/982,711	)	
	)	Examiner: Nadia Khoshnoodi
Filed: October 18, 2001	)	
	)	Confirmation Number: 8666
For: INFORMATION RECORDING	)	
DEVICE, INFORMATION	)	
PLAYBACK DEVICE,	)	
INFORMATION RECORDING	)	
MEDIUM, INFORMATION	)	
RECORDING METHOD,	)	
INFORMATION PLAYBACK	)	
METHOD, AND PROVIDING	)	
MEDIUM	)	

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Sir:

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

In reply to the Office Action mailed February 18, 2009, the period for reply extending through May 18, 2009, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

**Remarks** follow the amendment section of this paper.